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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Application No.: 09/608,117	)	Examiner: Hoffman, Brandon S.
Filed: June 30, 2000	)	Art Group: 2136
For: <b>METHOD AND APPARATUS</b>	)	
<b>FOR PROVIDING A SECURE-</b>	)	
<b>PRIVATE PARTITION ON A</b>	)	
<b>HARD DISK DRIVE OF A</b>	)	
<b>COMPUTER SYSTEM VIA IDE</b>	)	
<b>CONTROLLER</b>	)	

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action mailed February 2, 2006, in connection with the above-referenced patent application, and in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114 submitted herewith, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and consideration of the attached remarks.